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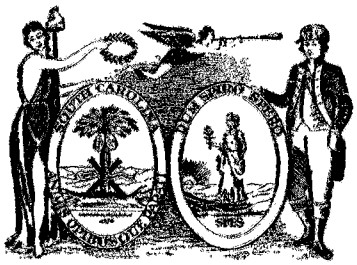

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO.

2004-17

WHEREAS, the State of South Carolina has experienced exceptionally heavy rains during July 2004 resulting in severe flooding in Greenville County along the Reedy River; and

WHEREAS, as much as six inches of rain fell early on July 29, 2004, in Greenville County, causing flash flooding in the City of Greenville and the western part of the county which resulted in extensive damage to public and private property in Greenville County; and

WHEREAS, more than one hundred families are suffering substantial family, personal, and economic hardship, and many are displaced from their homes; and

WHEREAS, numerous businesses, churches, and public facilities sustained major damage; and

WHEREAS, those victimized by the increasing floodwaters require further assistance from federal, state, and local governments.

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Governor, pursuant to the Constitution and Statutes of the State of South Carolina, I hereby declare that a State of Emergency in Greenville County exists as of July 29, 2004, and direct the South Carolina Emergency Operations Plan be placed in effect to support the responsibilities and tasks as warranted by these conditions. I hereby direct the South Carolina Emergency Management Division and all State agencies to take all necessary and prudent actions to

protect the lives and property of the impacted citizens as a result of the severe flooding. I further direct the Division to coordinate with all federal agencies as necessary to secure any available federal disaster assistance for the impacted disaster victims.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 3rd DAY OF AUGUST, 2004.

MARK SANFORD
Governor

ATTEST:

MARK HAMMOND
SECRETARY OF STATE